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## **BARTOW MAN FOUND GUILTY ON DRUG CHARGES**

On Friday, February 14, 2003, a federal jury found Siegfried Douglas McGhee, age 39, a resident of Bartow, Florida, guilty of possession of both crack cocaine and powder cocaine with intent to distribute it. McGhee faces 40 years' imprisonment. A sentencing date has not been set.

Court testimony showed that on April 11, 2002, Bartow Police Department executed a search warrant at 520 Baker Avenue in Bartow, Florida, a place where McGhee stored tools for his automotive and motorcycle repair business. During the search, law enforcement found over 5 grams of the drugs, a digital scale, baking soda, a large amount of small plastic baggies and other drug paraphernalia.

This case was investigated by Bartow Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol,

Tobacco and Firearms. This case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney

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